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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 9, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Fee Transmittal for a petitition for extension of time for three months, from June 9, 2004 to December 9, 2004 is included herein. Also included are Exhibit A, a declaration from Dr. Yasumichi Hitoshi; Exhibit B, Kato et al.; Exhibit C, a sequence alignment; and Exhibit D, a CV from Dr. Hitoshi.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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